

STAR'S DRESSING-ROOM HAS HOME ATMOSPHERE

Poli's Leading Woman Makes Stage Home Social Center.

Most folks associate "home" with a house or an apartment, but of necessity stock company players must find their home elsewhere, and so Florence Rittenhouse, leading woman of the Poli Players, has found a way to create a real home atmosphere in her dressing room at Poli's Theater.

As leading woman Miss Rittenhouse has the largest dressing room and has decorated it to create a real home atmosphere. The star's dressing room is not only a point of social activity, but stage, but the players visit it for almost everything from visa to medicine.

In fitting out her stage home Miss Rittenhouse has employed drapery and scheme in a most artistic fashion. There is a comfortable couch with cushions.

THEATRICAL BRIEFS.

Nina Vallier, one of the premieres with Gertrude Hoffman, appeared in a single dancing act at Keith's here in the winter and became a favorite. She is the guest of a famous newspaper men's club during the week and was the star of the occasion.

Pat Rooney, the third, is the latest to bear the name of the famous Irish burlesque comedian of the last quarter of the century. He is the youngest child of Pat Rooney, the second, and Marion Scott, and his fond parents insist that already there are indications that he will follow in the footsteps of dad and granddad.

Manager Bolinas, of B. F. Keith's Theater, has advised all concerned that the services of himself, his staff and employees in the theater are at the command of the government or organizations assisting in the war preparations, for any services they can perform. Local recruiting for the police and fire departments, the theater, it happily occurring that President Wilson was in attendance that evening.

Marie Bates, as the lovable Miss Houston, proprietor of the rooming house on Houston street, and Louie Hendricks, as the affable and gaudy manager of a dime museum, will appear in their original roles with David Warfield in "The Music Master."

YOUR WEDDING DAY

And the Famous Men and Women Who Have Shared It.

By MARY MARSHALL.

April 15—Poultny Bigelow and Edith Evelyn Jaffrey.

Thirty-three years ago today Poultny Bigelow, the American writer, and son of John Bigelow, diplomat and editor, was married to Edith Evelyn Jaffrey, a member of one of the richest mercantile families in New York. She was a society girl and until after her marriage into a literary family, at the age of twenty-three, never realized that she could write. Her husband was a good deal of money when he died, but the firm in which it was tied up went to pieces and she decided to see what she could do in the way of making money by her pen. She proved her capability and for many years was a successful magazine contributor, producing fiction that brought her an enviable reputation as well as a goodly income.

Mr. Bigelow's wife was one of the most conspicuous of society women in New York City, and it was at some social gathering in a Murray Hill ballroom that Miss Jaffrey met Mrs. Bigelow and her son. The reason for her social accomplishments became a warm favorite of Mrs. Bigelow, and it was because of these charms as well as her grace of character that young Bigelow fell in love with her. Poultny Bigelow inherited his father's literary tastes. He was sent to Berlin to school and attended the same gymnasium in which the lad who is now the Emperor William, of Germany, was a scholar. Then young William had no idea that he would be emperor of Germany until he had become, perhaps, an old man. Between him and young Bigelow a warm attachment sprang up and the friendship was continued after William became emperor. Bigelow returned to America and was at first fascinated with newspaper life, but a short experience in the hard work of a reporter was enough for him. Besides that he had also become fascinated with something more enduring than journalism aspirations, for he had yielded to the charms of Miss Jaffrey.

He bought a monthly magazine devoted to outdoor sports, which had a better name for artistic merit than for pecuniary profits, and after a brief experience he abandoned it, and taking his bride with him went to Europe.

VAN FIRST KNOWN HERE.

Billy B. Van, principal comedian with "Have a Heart," has scored as big a hit in musical comedy as he achieved in burlesque and vaudeville. The popular comedian has a host of friends in this city, but the fact is not generally known that he played here for several years in stock companies, long before he attained eminence as a vaudeville star. Indeed, it was in Washington that fame first found him. His clever work as a grotesque character comedian attracted the attention of rival managers and Billy gave up the \$40-a-week job to become a \$400-a-week star on the variety stage.

THE SHOTGUN CAMERA.

This gun-camera resembles outwardly the familiar "pumpkin" or repeating shotgun, with the stock, grip, trigger and slide-handle for the left hand. A small camera of the roll film sort is mounted in the large muzzle, explains the Popular Science Monthly for April. Pressure on the trigger squeezes a bulb lying below it, which through tubing running to the shutter of the camera in the muzzle, trips it and makes the exposure. The action slide-handle under the left hand is arranged to turn a new strip of film into position for each exposure, and so permits the operator of the gun-camera to take pictures as rapidly as he would fire a regular gun of the powder and "bang" sort. Regular sights, front and rear, are mounted on the gun to direct it accurately.

Dried Codfish Sink a Schooner.

"Codfish Sink Big Schooner" was the title of a news item of recent date, which besides being most unusual, seems to open up a new method of sinking wooden ships of the nations at war at a trifling cost compared with the present \$5,000 to \$10,000 torpedoes used by submarines and destroyers.

The schooner Pothook, under a captain and crew of seven men, left St. John, New Brunswick, for the Azores, with a cargo of dried codfish, explains the Popular Science Monthly. Soon afterward she ran into a heavy sea and shipped considerable water. The dried codfish absorbed this like a sponge, and it was but a couple of days before the excessive pressure of the swelled codfish had forced open the seams of the vessel's planking so that the water began to seep in, little by little, until the ship was beyond saving and had to be abandoned.

CLUB NOTES

The civic section of the Twentieth Century Club will meet Thursday at 11 a. m. in the lecture room of All Souls' Church, Fourteenth and L streets. Mrs. Gilbert H. Grosvenor will preside. Reports will be made by the chairman of committees, and a luncheon will follow the meeting, which will be the last of the year.

Mrs. U. G. B. Pierce will be hostess to the Twentieth Century Club members and their friends at a tea Tuesday afternoon, at the headquarters of the National American Woman's Suffrage Association, 1835 Rhode Island avenue. Assisting Mrs. Pierce will be Mrs. S. Stockton Voorhees, Mrs. Thomas M. Woodruff, Mrs. E. C. Seward, Mrs. Arthur Ramsey, Mrs. R. H. Leggett and Miss Ellen Butterfield.

The Twentieth Century Club Red Cross committee, 1321 Connecticut avenue, is open every day from 9:30 a. m. to 1 p. m. and on Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 2 to 5 o'clock. Last week a series of lessons on the making of surgical dressings was begun for those who are working under the auspices of the club's Red Cross committee. Sewing of hospital garments can be done either in the shop or at home. Surgical dressings must be done in the workshop under the direction of those having the work in charge.

Mary Washington Chapter, D. A. R., held its April meeting Tuesday afternoon at the Washington Club, Seventeenth and K streets northwest. Chapter and K streets northwest. Chapter members and guests were present. The number of about three hundred filled the ballroom and the adjoining rooms to listen to Capt. Granville Fortescue, who spoke on the subject of women's part in the war in which country has been thrown. When Capt. Fortescue had finished his remarks the audience showed how keenly they had listened to him by the number of questions submitted. Miss Janet Richards, regent of Mary Washington Chapter, was among those who asked the speaker questions.

Miss Clara Y. Avery, chairman of the committee of the Federation of Women's Clubs to co-operate with the work of the Red Cross Society, has called a meeting for 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, April 17, at the residence of Mrs. C. N. Chipman, 129 J street northwest. Each organization of the federation has been requested to send a representative to attend this meeting.

The Capitol Hill Literary Society celebrated the twentieth anniversary of its organization Monday evening at the Ingram Memorial Church, Tenth and Massachusetts avenue northeast. The president, Mrs. Mattie Queen Ewing, presided. Mrs. E. W. Davis, past president of the society, told of its history.

Brief talks were made by James G. Kent, J. W. Davis, Mrs. Clara E. Kallstrom, Mrs. A. H. Frear, Mrs. Laura E. Lawson, Mrs. Blanche Beaton, Mr. A. H. Frear and Mrs. Mattie Queen Ewing.

The Cultus Club met at the home of Mrs. George W. Harris, April 10. Interesting papers on "Alaska and the Klondike," by Mrs. William H. Sholes, and on "Politics and Education," by Oscar Wilkinson, were followed by a conversation on "The Seal Fisheries" led by Mrs. W. I. Dyer. A selected reading from the book "The Seal Fisheries" followed. The club's guests followed: Mrs. Abraham M. Dutton, Mrs. Gallier, Mrs. Demont, and Mrs. Walter Weaver.

The Adrienne de Lafayette Chapter, D. A. R., held a meeting at the home of its historian, Mrs. L. A. Abbot, 187 Monroe street, April 9. Mrs. L. L. Morrill, regent, presiding. The regent gave a report of the recent State conference, and of the presentation of the chapter's State flag. An interesting talk on the milestones of the District was given by Mrs. Velma Sylvester Barber, corresponding secretary and treasurer. Mrs. Morrill was presented with a handsome gavel by members of the chapter.

Mr. Darlington entertained the Cercle at its current meeting last week. Mme. Hindmarsh read a paper descriptive of some notable women of France, of whom realistic tableaux were given as follows: Queen Clotilde, Mme. Simpson; Charlotte Corday, Miss Miller; Jeanne d'Arc, Mrs. Darlington; La France et Mme. Recamier, Mrs. Bicknell; Mme. de Staël, Mrs. Becker; La France aujourd'hui et "Red Cross Nurse," Mrs. K. Miller. Mesdames Selp and Simpson contributed instrumental music and Mme. Becker, by request, sang "Ouvre tes yeux bleus." The Song closed with the singing of the Marseillaise by Monsieur and Mrs. Becker.

The Orpheus Male Quartet, of Los Angeles, Cal., was accorded an enthusiastic reception at the concert given under the auspices of the Petworth Woman's Club. Samuel B. Glaspe is the first tenor, Paul S. Breckenridge, second tenor, accompanist and reader; Verner A. Campbell, baritone, and Houston M. Dudley, bass.

The program included the following: "Winter Song" (Bullard); "Bugle Song" (Foots); "Sweet and Low" (Barbary); "Do Sandman" (Protheroe); "I Know Not" (Storch); "Annie Laurie" (arr. by Buck); "Invocation to Thee" (arr. to Sextet from Lucia (Donizetti)); "The Tear" (Witt); "Love's Old Sweet Song" (Molloy); "Heart Bowed Down," "Bohemian Girl" (Balle); "Unfil the Dawn" (Parks); "Armorer's Song," Robin Hood (De Koven), by Mr. Campbell; "Spartacus to the Gladiators" (Kellogg), by Mr. Breckenridge; four Indian love lyrics (Woodford-Findlen); "Temple Bells," "Less Than the Dust," "Kaashmiri Song," "Till I Wake," by Mr. Glaspe.

The Anthony League's class in the philosophy of life, taught by Mrs. Eleanor J. Bingham, was well attended on Tuesday. Mrs. Nanette B. Paul took charge of the class in the absence of Mrs. Bingham.

On Thursday, April 13, at 8 p. m., at 1626 Rhode Island avenue, Dr. J. Middleton Smith will speak in a humorous vein of the form of government of the United States in 1789. Carter E. Keene, director of postal savings banks, will explain the work of his department and answer questions. A splendid musical program has been arranged by Mrs. E. A. Anderson, chairman of the entertainment committee; Miss Harriet Shaw, contralto, and Mrs. T. Craig Jones, accompanist.

At the last regular meeting of the league the following delegates were elected to the annual convention of the District of Columbia Federation of Women's Clubs: Mrs. Anna E. Hendley, president; Dr. Laura S. Breckenridge, alternate; Mrs. Charles W. Pitts, director; Mrs. Edwin Woodruff, alternate; first delegate, Mrs. Nanette B. Paul; second delegate, Mrs. Laura F. Olney; Mrs. Charles Doyle, alternate; third delegate, Mrs. Nellie Perkins, Mrs. Julia T. alternate. Member of the nominating committee, Dr. Laura S. Breckenridge.

Mrs. E. A. Anderson and Miss Maud Alley will be hostesses at the league's tea next Wednesday at headquarters, from 4 to 6 p. m. Mrs. Nanette B. Paul will hold the fourth in her series of parliamentary law conferences at 11 a. m.

U. S. Grant Circle, No. 1, Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic, celebrated Appomattox day at Grand Army Hall at their last meeting.

Col. Samuel R. Stratton made the principal address and paid a glowing tribute to the memory of Gen. U. S. Grant. Other members of the G. A. R. present made short speeches.

Mrs. Cole, of Wisconsin, past national president of the Army Nurses Association, gave a talk on the "Woman of the Civil War." Miss Marion E. McCoy sang "The Birds Go North," and was accompanied on the piano by Miss Helen B. Welch. Little Miss Gladstone and Miss Kittle Redman gave several dances in costume which pleased the audience.

After the musical entertainment the circle and guests enjoyed a box party. The several patriotic organizations were present. Mrs. Alice Milligan, chairman of the committee, was assisted by Mrs. Laura Lemmon, Mrs. Belle H. Gibson, Mrs. Emma Hemphill, Mrs. Alvina Scott, and Mrs. Elizabeth Hierling. Mrs. A. G. Clements, president of the circle, presided.

The District of Columbia Woman's Suffrage Association met at its headquarters, 1626 Rhode Island avenue northwest, Thursday evening with the president, Mrs. Henry Churchill Cook, presiding. After the business had been attended to the most important thing was the election of delegates and alternates to the Federation of Women's Clubs to be held in May. Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Von Dachenhausen, Miss Huyler, Mrs. Milton, and Mrs. Trubby were chosen, with Miss Mayher, Mrs. Beasley, Mrs. Todd, Mrs. Brink, and Mrs. Langworthy as alternates. Mrs. Samuel Burleigh Milton sang and played her own compositions. Dr. Stone, of Seattle, Wash., gave an interesting talk of the work done in her State for suffrage.

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Troop Sixty-five, Scoutmaster Homer Cummings. At the last meeting of the troop election of officers was held. Wyckoff Rice was elected president for the coming year. W. Clifton Woodward, Jr., scribe; Cecil McPherson, treasurer; William Crockett, courier. Assistant Scoutmaster Shire presided in the absence of Assistant Scoutmaster Bennett, who was out of the city.

The dance to be given by the Dixie Chapter, No. 141, of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Wednesday evening, will be a patriotic dance in every respect. The Stars and Stripes will be used with the Confederate colors in the decorations. This is the last dance of the season by the chapter.

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Burnside Relief Corps held a meeting Wednesday night in Grand Army Hall. After the opening service of the ritual, the quarterly report of the secretary and treasurer were read, showing eighty-three members in good standing and a satisfactory financial condition.

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The chairman of the executive committee announced a sale of tickets for the theater at an early date, and also for an excursion to Marshall Hall soon after the season opens.

The visitation of department officers will take place in May.

Liberty Union, No. 6, met at Pythian Temple Tuesday night and had present Mrs. Mable T. La Rue, Mrs. F. Walters, Mrs. M. Killen and Mrs. L. Hammon.

Cosmos Will Begin New Schedule. Beginning tomorrow, the Cosmos will inaugurate a new summer schedule, opening at 1 p. m. daily and at 5 p. m. Sundays. The feature photoplay will be shown daily at 1:15, 4:45 and 10:15 p. m. except Sunday, when no feature picture will be shown. The vaudeville performance will begin daily at 2:30 p. m., the program starting again at 4:15 and at 8:30 p. m. Sunday, the vaudeville performances will start at 3:30 p. m. and be continuous.

A FIREMAN'S SUIT OF WATER. The Cincinnati fire department has been testing a new safety dress for firemen. The man who wears it can stand right in the midst of flames. He need not fear the glowing embers around him. He can walk into a fire and it will dwindle away and go out around him, says the Popular Science Monthly for April.

The dress is made of fireproofed canvas of two thicknesses between which water flows constantly. The water enters by means of a perforated brass tube which adjoins the neck between the two thicknesses of canvas and flows down between the layers through the arms and legs, finding exits at the finger tips and around the soles of the feet. Water flowing only between the two

thicknesses of canvas would not offer complete protection to the wearer. To keep him cool and comfortable while standing in the hottest fire, two brass perforated tubes encircle the helmet and give him a constant shower bath from the outside as well as within the folds of the uniform. This not only keeps him from becoming overheated, but also extinguishes the fire around him.

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